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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

This letter is to support continuing rules that enable broadband competition. I use a competitive provider for my home internet service and my cellular service. I worked for AT&T for almost 25 years and was happy to take early retirement, as they had become and remain a dismal corporate entity. I have had DirecTV service for over 20 years, and have seen them go downhill with the AT&T takeover.

It is important for the FCC to retain alternatives for consumers and small businesses. If companies like AT&T are able to cripple smaller viable, innovative competitors, they will then take the well-worn path of lowering service and increasing prices.

Sincerely, John Meyer

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